

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract as follows:

~~MANAGEMENT OF PRODUCT AND PARTS~~

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of managing ~~of~~ products each having a plurality of parts is provided. In the method, ~~at first~~, an original structural tree of a product which defines a relationship between the product and its parts is created and then part numbers are assigned to the product and parts. Products and parts having the same structure are allocated with the same part number. Next, unique serial numbers are assigned to the product and at least major parts thereof. Different serial numbers are assigned to separate products and parts even if they have the same structure. Then part numbers and serial numbers are entered in the structural tree and the resultant structural tree is stored in a database connected to a computer. The serial numbers are marked on the product and parts assigned therewith, and information of the tree is retrieved by using the serial numbers on the product and parts.